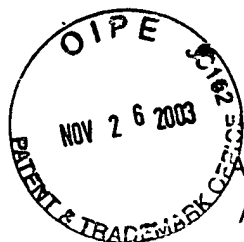


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

This is in response to the Office action mailed May 3, 2002. A Petition to Revive an Unintentionally Abandoned Application Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b), a Petition for a Four Month Extension of Time, and the required fees are filed herewith. No additional fees are believed due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 19374-509.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 4 of this paper.

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